

Supplement to 12-lead ECG Procedure

When a STEMI is identified by ECG and confirmed by the paramedic designated as the team leader, notification of the destination hospital Cath Lab activation process will occur **as soon as practical**. During this communication the paramedic should state at the beginning of the transmission, “STEMI Alert.” In addition, the crew will identify the patient’s cardiologist (if they have one) or the primary care physician (if they do not have a cardiologist). Once obtained this information will be shared with the receiving hospital during their radio report. The hospital will activate their Cath Lab process unless there is conflicting evidence to not activate (i.e. hospital receives and reviews ECG concurrently and the hospital does not agree with paramedic STEMI diagnosis; patient contraindications; or refusals of care).